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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

TO: Division of Gas Oil and Mining  
FROM: William Harrison  
RE: Request for Variance

ATTN: Mr. Paul Baker

Mr. Baker,

I am sending this letter to request a Variance on re-vegetation requirements (Rule # R647-3-109.13.11). For the following reasons.

- 1) The Notice of Intent I submitted was in an area that was mined and previously disturbed many times in the past and no topsoil was salvaged and there was no vegetation cover prior to me redisturbing the area.
- 2) I have seeded the area twice previously and have most recently roughened and seeded again according to division recommendations. In spite of these efforts very little vegetation has become established and this is probably due to soil conditions.
- 3) As an alternative to use in place of the required standard I have roughened the site and this should help control erosion. The site has been seeded and there is now some vegetation where none grew prior to my disturbing the site.

Please advise me of your decision.

Sincerely,

  
William Harrison